SPORTS EXTRA

BY

Norman Simpson

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RADIO STATION W W O D

There is a rumor going around that baseball czar is making money that it used to. This may be true in certain parts of New England and among certain Class C Leagues of the South but it is definitely not true in Hollywood. This department is not certain whether the Hollywood Stars — baseball team currently contracted with the Pacific Coast League, showed any increase at the gate last year but the promoters on the other side of town have discovered a baseball sensation that is due to run away with the grounds before another baseball month has passed.

As far as we can remember the first motion picture about a baseball player was a film adaption of King Laardner's "Elmer the Great." The role of Elmer was carried off to perfection by a man who has since been erroneously contracted with professional baseball. However Joe E. Brown, the man in question is in the opinion of this writer, the most outside of baseball who has come to the mind for the national game in the last 25 years. That was the film was actually the making of Mr. Brown and since that time, he has become a national figure associated with baseball. He made several trips to the front lines during the last war with a baseball kit and baseball gloves. In spite of the rapid fly rising executives of the game.

The above is really an aside to our original point because while Elmer was from the material movie, Elmer's successors have been many. Joe early forges Curt Gowdy as Lou Gehrig, or William Bendix as Babe Ruth or Jimmy Stewart as Monte Stratton.

Many Baseball Movies

That trustworthy apparently only scratched the surface. Films about baseball and baseball players have reached in a consistent flow ever since. Frank Sinatra and Gene Kelly made it a bottle-neck feature in "Take Me Out to the Ball Game." Mr. Sinatra has since been in another baseball whose thrilling climax takes place in the Hollywood ball park. Paul Douglas has played a baseball manager and even Esther Williams who would appear in no movie at home on the cricket field, has touched the familiar diamond.

Not all of these flickers have been art but they apparently have one thing in common—they have made money.

There are two new movies upcoming—one of them is still being made and the other might be released locally before June 1st. We don't know much about the story currently being filmed except that it is the life story of Grover Cleveland Alexander. However the second is a yarn that certainly has plenty of material. Dizzy Dean's life story ought to be more incredible than fiction. Thousands of people will go just to hear Dizzy Dean tell the "he said-she said things."

Baseball arrives with a bang next Monday when the Boston Braves and the Brooklyn Dodgers square off in the first of three exhibition games at the Lynchburg stadium. The Red Sox and Athletics will make it two in a row on Tuesday and the climax will be provided Wednesday afternoon when the St. Louis Cardinals take on the Philadelphia Phillies.

A combination of six teams will bring a host of stars that has probably never been equalled in so short a period of time. I imagine that spring plowing and planting horsehouse will be set back at least three days.

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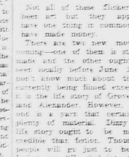

84TH BIRTHDAY

Mrs. John I. Hamilton, who was 84 March 31, celebrated her birthday on Sunday with a dinner. The guests included: Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert McFadden, and daughter all of Lynchburg; Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Hamilton, Harry and Russell Hamilton, Mrs. J. E. Glass, Jr., and Wayne and Sue Glass; Mrs. F. M. Elliott, Billie and Tommie Elliott, Virginia and Dick Hamilton, Mrs. Allen B. Hiatter, Mrs. Holmsey Ingo Sr., and T. S. Ramsons.

Stonewall

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Stalactites are ice-like formations which hang from the ceiling of a cave.

Minimum Price Support Levels Announced

Minimum 1952 price support levels for all four types of tobacco produced in Virginia have been announced by the Production and Marketing Administration.

For flue-cured tobacco the average minimum rate is 50.6 cents a pound; for burley it is 49.6 cents; for fire-cured it is 37.1 cents; and for Virginia sun-cured the rate is 32.0 cents a pound. W. T. Powers, of Acting PMA State Chairman, stated. The rates have been figured at 90 per cent of parity on February 15, 1952, he said, and are announced at this time to provide tobacco growers with price information prior to planting time. This policy is followed by PMA in the case of a number of basic farm crops.

It was also said that price support on the types of tobacco in Virginia is mandatory under the Agricultural Act of 1949. On flue-cured and burley, the rate is at 90 per cent of parity on July 1, and for burley it is at 90 per cent of parity on October 1, the beginning of the respective marketing seasons for each type. Fire-cured tobacco is supported at 75 per cent of the parity rate and Virginia sun-cured at 90 per cent of the level at which it is supported.

If the parity level on July 1 and October 1 respectively is higher than the February 15 level, the actual support rates will be higher than the minimums just announced. Powers explained. But he added that they would in no case be lower than the minimum rates for the 1952 crop.

In 1951 the average support levels for the types of tobacco grown here were slightly different higher than the minimum prices announced at this time a year ago.

Below there is a comparison between the 1952 minimum prices announced with the 1951 minimum price, the 1951 average support rate, and the 1951 average price received by growers on Virginia markets.

	1952 Minimum Price	1951 Minimum Price	1951 Support Average	1951 Average Price Received
Flue-Cured	50.6	50.1	50.7	53.59
Burley	49.5	49.4	49.8	53.35
Fire-cured	37.1	37.0	37.3	39.19
Va. Sun-cured	32.0	32.0	32.2	34.57

Marketing quotas are in effect on flue-cured, burley, fire-cured and Virginia sun-cured tobacco. Under that program growers of eligible tobacco may take out Commodity Credit Corporation loans through PMA representatives on each tobacco market. CCC loans on tobacco have been in effect since 1936, during which period over two and one-half billion pounds of tobacco have been pledged to CCC as collateral for loans valued at over a billion dollars.

TROUT STOCKING TO END APRIL 15

The fish division of the Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries will complete its trout planting program this year on or before April 15, according to J. T. Quinn, executive director of the Commission.

Quinn reported that all trout will be stocked in the public fishing waters of the state on or before April 15, depending upon weather conditions. This will give the planted trout time enough to accustom themselves to their new environment and assume the characteristics of the native wild trout before opening day, May 1.

There will be no mid-season planting of trout in 1952.

Fisherman will take to the streams at 12:00 noon, May 1. They should find more and better trout this year than ever before in the history of trout fishing in the Old Dominion. The daily creel limit for trout remains at eight; all fish caught must be retained as part of the creel limit.

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Pamplin Vicinity

April 1.- Second Quarterly Conference was held here at the Methodist Church last Sunday, March 30. Dr. T. F. Carroll, of Lynchburg, District Superintendent, delivered a wonderful message. Afterwards lunch was served. A business session was held in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lacy Wilkerson, of Evergreen were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Mott Harvey.

Those who called to see Mrs. Judd Glover during the week-end were Paul Ferguson, of Lynchburg; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Greene and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Fincham, and son, of Farmville; Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Reynolds and son, Donald, and Mrs. W. S. Cumby.

Those who called to see Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Cumby during the week-end were Mr. and Mrs. W. Howard Cumby, of Crewe; Miss Elizabeth Rodgers, of Hampden-Sydney; Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Tyler, of Concord; Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Almond and Sherry Kay and Virginia, of Lynchburg; Mr. and Mrs. Lee and Frank Cumby.

Miss Mary Gilliam and Miss Ann Gilliam, of Farmville Saturday.

Those who called to see Mrs. Greene Garrett Sunday were Jim Tyree, Mrs. Ruby Wade, Tyree, Mrs. Ruby Wade, Tibbs, of Lynchburg; Mr. and Mrs. Emmanuel Garrett and daughters, Bonnie and Ginger Heights; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Garrett, Mr. and Mrs. Grover Garrett, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Garrett, Mrs. Ruby Blackwell, Jr. and son, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Garrett.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Richmond called in the B. Williams Sunday.

A. B. Ferguson is now at Mr. an Clay.

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LESSON: John 13:1-9, Romans 16: Philippians 2-12-27, Colossians 4;

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ellowship Supreme

Lesson for April 6, 1952

e church of the twentieth century is taking a beating. We living in one of the dark eras the Christian church in large of the world is on the retreat. ists of the a's surface, that to be called is now ated by anti- vers. ere once ministeries in now 200, and grow- fewer still. An ening minister Georgia recently asked a num- of American church leaders her they thought we can call United States a "Christian" na- Most of them said No, and of them thought that America present slipping farther away Christ.

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Did the Early Church Have We Haven't?

the question is: What did early church have that we have? Why did they succeed we have not been succeeding? quality which was strong in early church, weak today, is ership. Let us first see what the Testament idea of fellowship is ll is not organization. It was not one Big Man or Big Church or pattern of organization that the early church "click." Also, not simple nearness.

For many persons today, "belonging to the same church" another person means no more than that on occasional Sundays they find themselves sitting within a few yards of each other. They do not know each other's names, perhaps, much less take any personal interest in each other's affairs.

Furthermore, the New Testament does not hold up subscription to a creed as the main feature of fellowship. All mathematics teachers believe in the truth of algebra and geometry, but that does not make fellowship out of mathematics classes. So you can have several hundred or several thousand people repeating the same Creed without being a fellowship or even using what the word means.

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Tinker-Toy Business

THE thing that fellowship did mean, when it meant something, is made very plain. It is like life of a growing vine. You cannot tie of the branches without vine, nor of the vine without branches.

Carrying one the same idea, Paul (I Cor. 12) speaks of the church as the "body" of Christ. Christian fellowship is first of all an intimate growing-in to the life of Christ, sharing the same life with him.

You can make a tinker-toy man of two arms or no arms, you can of the legs and arms out and stick in again as you like, because tinker-toy man is not real, it is blocks and sticks. But you not stick branches in and pull them out of a vine like that; much as pull legs and arms out of a rag body.

If the church today is weak, it is because too many individual "members" are not members of Christ. They belong to the church, statistically speaking; but they do not belong to Christ.

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Belonging to One Another

ANOTHER thing that fellowship means, grows out of this first thing. The New Testament idea—the New Testament fact—is that all Christians are parts of one another, that as all parts of a living thing belong to one another.

It is quite true that not every one in the church then understood this. Jesus and Paul would not have had to speak and write as they did. But the church at large did understand it. Every mburch then was a kind of family, indeed often a much closer family than that into which its members had first been born. Although each Christian was himself, indeed a new self ("If any man is in Christ, he is a new creation," Paul said), yet in the church every one belonged to every one else, just as in a good family. The good of one was the happiness of all; the sorrow and trouble of one was the trouble of all; the temptation of one gave the others an opportunity to fight for his rescue.

The church, when it IS the church, is the fellowship supreme, the united life, the life of God shared by those who love him and one another.

Perhaps the best thing the Christian church today could do, instead of getting more "members" who never were members, would be to recover and re-practice New Testament fellowship.

Dr. Foreman

To Relieve Misery of COLDS take

Measles Are Prevalent In Va. This Year

"More than 4,000 cases of measles have been reported to the State Health Department this year," Dr. Mack I. Shanholtz, State Health Commissioner, said today. From now until late spring, many more cases of measles are expected in the state. 1952 is proving to be a year of high incidence in measles. "We may expect a high wave of measles like this every two or three years," he continued.

"The early symptoms of measles are similar to those of the common cold. These symptms increase in severity from two to four days and the cold become pronchial in nature. A dull red blotchy rash then appears about the face and neck spreads to the entire body within a three-day period. At this time the various signs and symptoms rapidly disappear, although the skin more slowly resumes normal appearance.

"Most children recover from measles without any ill effects, but it may be serious for very young or delicate children. Children under five, and especially those under three, are most seriously affected by measles. Since the disease in older children is often mild, many parents believe that measles in younger children does not merit special attention. This is far from true.

"If the date of exposure to a case of measles is known, development of the disease may be prevented in young or sick children or the disease may be modified by the injection of a small amount of gamma globulin. These injections must be made soon after exposure and in proper dosage. This gives only temporary protection, but many lives can be saved by postponing the attack of measles in weak or young children," Dr. Shanholtz said.

"Most deaths from measles occur in youngsters under three years old. The disease often increases their susceptibility to other infections so that pneumonia, tuberculosis, diphtheria or infections of the eyes and ears may follow.

"The family physician should be consulted when there is suspicion of measles, since his services may mean much in modification of the disease, prevention of complications and temporary protection of young children contacts," Dr. Shanholtz concluded.

Gladstone

GLADSTONE, March 29.- Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Carter are spending this week at Maidens and Richmond with relatives.

Mrs. R. W. Poindexter is a patient in Virginia Baptist Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Jobe and sons, W. R., Jr. and Kenneth Jobe, who visited Mr. Jobe's sister, Mrs. Givens and family in Newport News a few days ago, have returned to their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Tyree went to Richmond Thursday to attend the twenty-fifth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cornell.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. McAllister motored to Richmond Thursday.

Originally there were four months between presidential elections and the inauguration to allow for slow methods of communication and transportation.

Listen to The Country Editor, at 7:15 P. M. each Friday on radio station WWOD, Lynchburg.

John Elliot, of Natick, Mass., translated the Bible for the American Indians.

Moses of Biblical fame stuttered badly.

Watch Egg Quality Now

It's time again for poultrymen to give special attention to "quality control" of eggs.

D. U. Livermore, poultry marketing specialist at VPI, says every spring egg quality in Virginia takes a nosedive, and losses to producers are large.

Livermore says that with egg prices at lower levels, it is more important than ever to get top prices for top quality eggs.

Here are his suggestions:

Gather eggs often in a wire basket or open-sided container. A minimum of three times a day is recommended.

Take each gathering to the cooest available place - immediately. Soiled eggs may be sorted, but they also should be cooled immediately. You can supply storage moisture by dampening the floor in the egg room or by covering the baskets with damp burlap.

Let the eggs cool over night. Case your eggs after the cooling period in pre-cooled cases. Leave cases in the holding room or cellar long enough for them to be at the temperature of the cooled eggs.

In packing eggs, be sure that the small end is downward in the case. The air cell which formed in the large end during cooling won't be disturbed if the eggs are packed in this manner.

After the eggs are cooled and cased, get them to market without unnecessary delay. Once a week isn't enough if you want the greatest returns. Twice a week delivery is better, especially in the spring and summer.

CHEMICAL WEED CONTROL DOES NOT INCREASE YIELDS OF CORN

Farmers using 2,4-D instead of shallow cultivation for weed control in corn crops should not expect increased yields, say extension specialists at VPI.

Chemical weed control in corn is recommended only along with cultivation, unless conditions are such that cultivation is impossible. This sometimes is the case in wet river bottoms. Heavy type soils need cultivation usually to break up the crust for moisture penetration and to admit air. Light sandy soils may not need cultivation if no weeds are present.

The specialists said one properly timed application of 2,4-D can effectively replace two cultivations, provided a high percentage of weeds present can be effectively controlled.

All weeds, especially grasses, are not controlled by 2,4-D, therefore, it is important to find whether the weeds prevalent in the corn field can be killed by the chemical.

If the most important weeds present are susceptible to 2,4-D, it would be well to use the chemical.

The spray may be applied to corn before it comes up or afterward, depending on local conditions.

Detailed information on the control of weeds in corn may be obtained from county agents or the V. P.I.Agricultural Extension Service, Blacksburg, Va.

FENCE POSTS SHOULD BE PEELED NOW

Farmers who have acquired livestock in recent years will no doubt be needing additional fence posts to take care of expansion or perhaps new posts are needed to replace old ones. The use of small pines or mixed oaks treated with pentachlorophenol will be found less expensive than other type posts. Properly treated, they will stand up well for 20 years or more.

To properly treat fence posts they should first be cut, peeled and penned to dry by May 15. Treatment with the preservative, usually pentachlorophenol, can be done around September after which the posts may be permanently set in late fall when other farm work has slackened.

Tips Given On Fertilizer

Growers of fire-cuerd and sun-cured tobacco who don't have a liberal amount of manure to use this year likely would profit by applying a high-potash tobacco fertilizer such as 4-8-10.

Additional potash also can be supplied in the form of sulphate of potash or sulphate of potash magnesia, says G. R. Mathews, associate agronomist, at VPI. On heavy soils the extra potash may be broadcast and disced in before planting.

Mathews says the level of potash necessary to produce top yields of good quality tobacco— could be quite low if in the rotation a good crop of wheat was produced and the straw removed; and if heavy cuttings of red clover hay were made without fertilizer to that used under the previous tobacco crop.

A soil test will show whether the potash level is high, medium, or low.

A 25-bushel wheat crop plus the straw will remove from the land about 23 pounds of potassium. Two tons of clover hay will remove about 65 pounds of potassium. This would add up to about the amount of potassium contained in 1,400 pounds of a 3-9-6 fertilizer or 10 tons of good manure.

Growers who don't have manure to use also will need additional nitrogen unless a good stand of legume was turned under.

Mathews says fire-cured and sun-cured growers generally get best results by using both manure and 1,000 to 1,200 pounds of tobacco fertilizer.

WOOL PACKING RACK AID TO SHEEPMEN

Sheep breeders can make good use of their time by making a wool packing rack before sheep shearing season comes around.

Specialists at V. P. I., who designed the rack, say it will make it possible for farmers to pack 30 to 35 fleeces easily and quickly in a standard wool bag. The tight bag of 200 pounds will save on freight charges and reduce time and labor in handling. Materials for the rack will cost about $3.50. Plans are available in Circular 538, "Wool Packing Rack." See your county agent, or write the Agricultural Extension Service at VPI, Blacksburg, for a free copy.

Horse Racing In Virginia

Richmond, April 2.- Horse racing, the love of which is inbred in the heart of every Virginian, opens its 1952 season with the staging of the twentieth annual Deep Run races here Saturday, April 5, over the Atlantic Rural Exposition course.

There are thrills, spills, and chills a plenty in store for those who attend this big seven race card beginning at 2:30 P. M. There will be four spectacular steeplechase events and three races at the flat tracks.

The feature race is the Deep Run Hunt Cup, three miles over post and rail, and the co-feature will be the Richmond Plate, two miles over brush.

Other events will be the Broad Rock, a mile and a half over the hurdles; The Malvern Hill, two miles over brush; a pair of two-mile races for hunters, and the Strawberry Hill, three-quarters of a mile on the flat.

The Deep, Run meeting opens the Virginia circuit of hunt races and attracts the outstanding steeplechase horses of America. A year ago the cup event was won by P. T. Cheff's Friar's Melody, from Holland, Michigan, with the Richmond Place going to F. Ambrose Clark's Flying Wing, from Westburg, Long Island, N. Y.

This year it looks as if there will be 10 horses in the Deep Run Cup, insuring a stirring race in the hazardous classic. A total of 18 stout chestnut fences must be taken in this three-mile test. A mistake at any usually leaves the horse a cropper.

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